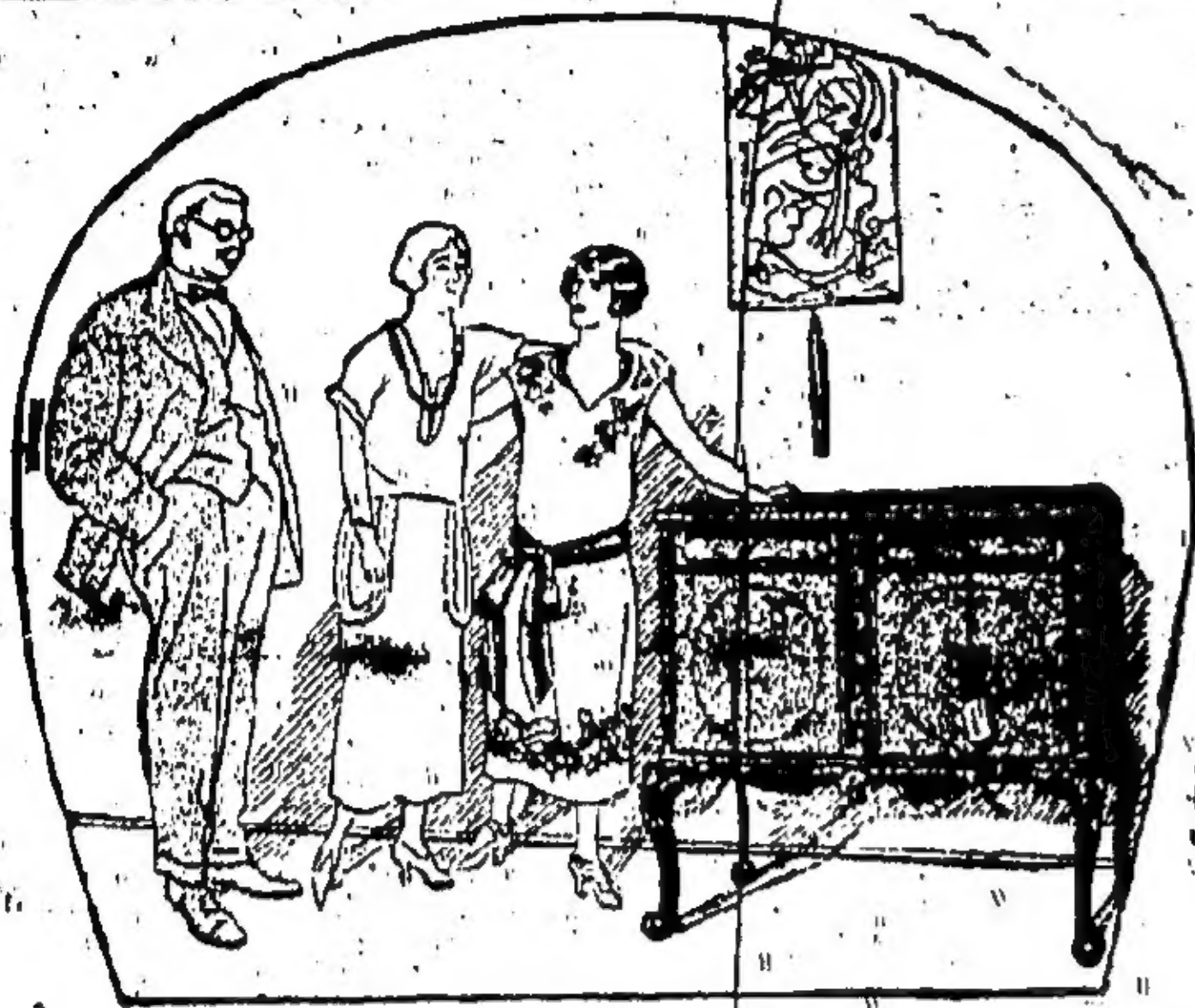


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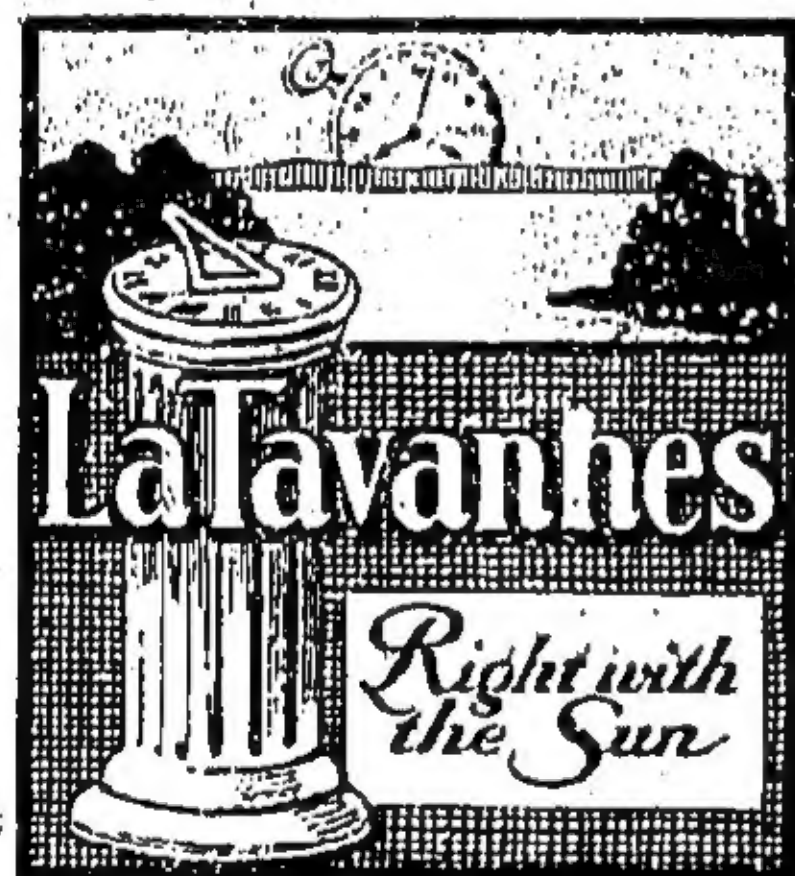
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DOWNING STREET ACTIVITY.

ARRIVAL OF FOREIGN DELEGATES.

WARM WELCOME FOR M. HERRIOT.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 15.
There is much activity in Downing Street in preparation for the Conference to-morrow.
The weekly meeting of the Cabinet was held to-day instead of to-morrow in order to leave the Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, free to devote his whole attention to the Conference.
It is understood the Cabinet discussed questions of foreign policy likely to be raised at the Conference.

The Colonial Secretary, the Rt. Hon. Mr. Thomas, called a further meeting of Dominion Representatives at the Colonial Office in regard to representation of the Dominions at the Conference. In connection with the Conference, over a hundred foreign official visitors will be in London by to-morrow.

It is expected the following will represent their countries:

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Philip Snowden, Ambassador Kellogg, Colonel Logan, M. M. Herriot, Clementel, Nollet (Possibly Marshal Foch), Signors De Stefani (Minister of Finance), Denava and Marchese Della Toretta, Baron Hayashi, Viscount Ishii, M. M. Theunis, Hymans, In addition, Portugal, Serbia, Rumania and Greece will also be represented.	Britain. United States. France. Italy. Japan. Belgium.
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WELCOME AT VICTORIA.

The French delegation to the Conference was welcomed at Victoria Station by the Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the French Ambassador and members of the French Embassy Staff.

Mr. MacDonald and M. Herriot exchanged the most cordial greetings. The crowd shouted: "Vive Herriot, Good Old Ramsay."

The delegation does not include Marshal Foch but his Chief-of-Staff, General Desticker, has arrived.

The Italian and Belgian delegations have also arrived in London and were welcomed by representatives of the Premier.

SENATOR FALL.

CHARGED IN OIL SCANDAL.

LIBERATED ON BAIL.

(Reuter's American Service.)

EL PASO, TEXAS, July 14.
Senator Fall, formerly Secretary of the Interior, was to-day arraigned before the United States Commissioner here.

The case is in connection with indictments against him by the Columbia Grand Jury, relative to charges arising out of the Teapot Dome oil-fields. Senator Fall pleaded not guilty, waived the preliminary hearing and gave a bond of \$25,000 for his appearance at Washington.

GOLD-NOTE BANK.

NEW GERMAN VENTURE.

(Reuter's Service.)

BERLIN, July 15.
The Government has approved the text of a Bill, establishing a new gold-note bank, in accordance with the Dawes report. Incidentally it will provide an issue of golden and twenty mark coins and silver one, two, five, ten, and fifty pfennig.

BISLEY.

S. AFRICANS WIN KOLAPORE CUP.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 15.
Shooting at Bisley to-day, the South African team won the Kolapore Cup with 1,115 points, also gaining the Colonial Prize of £50.
The next in order were: Canada 1,108, Britain 1,105, Australia 1,101, India 1,049, Guernsey 1,022, Gold Coast 993.

CHEUNG CHAU.

BAD WEATHER OUTLOOK.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Cheung Chau, July 16.

For some weeks the "Kung Yick" has been in dock for extensive repairs, due to broken stern post, but another week should see her back on the "run."

The contractor has been pushing on with the finishing touches to the Hall which should be quite ready for the official opening, including the new seats, which were the gift of a well-known benefactor now absent from the Colony. We regret that he will not be able to be present next Saturday.

Weather conditions are somewhat uncertain but we are hoping for a good week-end sample. We expect "them sentiments" will be echoed by the mountaineers who

are to start camp at Lantau this week. We understand that there will be 4 or 5 shacks put up for a start and a "Mess" shack. We wish them well and good success in their venture. Even these rough mat structures are costing a considerable sum and it would indeed be an ill wind that would wreck them at the beginning of their holiday.

All but two of the houses are now occupied and the beach presents an animated scene each evening.

There was a good attendance at the Sunday school class and the verandah room at the Jaffray House was packed at the evening service. We were unable to use the Hall as the tile floor had just been put down and was not set.

The preacher at the special service on the 20th will be Rev. A. Baxter of Canton.

FOREST FIRES.

HEAVY DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

PACIFIC COAST BLAZE.

ANXIETY QUELLED: NO LIVES LOST.

(Reuter's American Service.)

SAN FRANCISCO, July 15.

A million dollars' worth of damage has been done by forest fires along the Pacific Coast of the United States and British Columbia.

Much anxiety is felt in regard to the safety of the villages in the path of the flames.

MISSING BUT ACCOUNTED FOR.

Thirty-five persons, including eleven children, are missing from the village of Wheeler's Mill, Washington. There is no news of several families of settlers in Pine Creek. Heavy rains, however have improved the situation.

LATER.

All those missing in the forest fires on the Pacific Coast have now apparently been accounted for.

OLYMPIAD.

TWO AUSTRALIAN VICTORIES.

STILL SMASHING RECORDS.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, July 15.

The final of the 400 metres swimming (free style) for ladies resulted in the Americans filling the first three places:

Miss Morelius (U. S. A.)	1
Miss Wainwright (U. S. A.)	2
Miss Ederle (U. S. A.)	3
Miss Molesworth (Britain)	4
Miss Shand (New Zealand)	was last.

Time 6 min. 2 1/5 sec.

CHARLTON'S VICTORY.

The open 1,500 metres swimming (free style) result:

Charlton (Australia)	1
Arne Borg (Sweden)	2
Beaupre (Australia)	3
Hatfield (Britain)	4

Charlton's time of 20 min. 6 3/5 sec. is a world's record.

HIGH DIVING.

The final result of the high diving competition was:

Eve (Australia)	1
Jansen (Sweden)	2
Clark (Britain)	3

LAWN TENNIS.

At lawn tennis, in the third round, Washburn, (U.S.A.) beat Van Lennep (Holland) by 2-6, 6-1, 6-1, 6-2.

Williams (U.S.A.) beat Macenauer (Czechoslovakia), 6-2, 4-6, 6-2, 3-6, 6-1.

Williams and Washburn, in the doubles, proved too strong for Rohrer and Gottlieb (Czechoslovakia). The score was 6-3, 6-2, 6-1.

In the third round of the singles, Kingscote (Britain) beat Granholm (Finland), 6-2, 6-0, 6-0; Spence (South Africa) beat Woosnam (Britain), 4-6, 10-8, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; Gilbert (Britain) beat Bayley (Australia), 7-5, 9-7, 6-1; Washer (Belgium) beat Hunter (America), 2-6, 1-6, 6-2, 6-1, 6-4.

In the ladies' singles, Miss Helen Wills (America) beat Mrs. Satterthwaite (Britain), 6-1, 6-2. In the mixed doubles, Gilbert and Miss McKane (Britain) beat De Murguro and Signorita Perelli (Italy), 9-7, 1-6, 7-5.

"DOPE" RUNNERS.

ITALIAN VESSEL SEIZED.

ACTION IN U. S. WATERS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NEW YORK, July 16.

Officials raided an Italian steamer from Genoa this morning and seized 600 packages of narcotics, which it is alleged were intended to be smuggled into the country. The Customs Agents thereupon took possession of the vessel to enable a more complete search to be made. Some of the ship's officers and a number of the crew were arrested.

RUGBY.

BRITISH TEAM VICTORIOUS.

(Reuter's Service.)

CAPE TOWN, July 15.

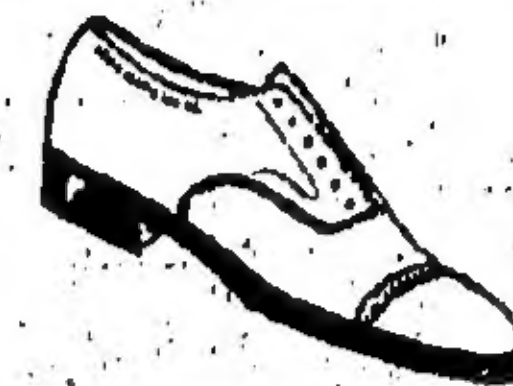
The British rugby football team beat a combined fifteen from the Cape Town and Stellenbosch Universities by 9 points to 8.

COLONY'S HEALTH.

The return showing the number of notifiable diseases which occurred in the Colony last week shows: Small-pox 2 cases (2 deaths); diphtheria 4 (2 deaths); enteric fever 6 cases (1 English, 3 Chinese, 2 Indians) and one death; paratyphoid 2 cases (1 English, 1 British Indian); cerebro-spinal fever 1 death; purpural fever 1 death. Two deaths from influenza, which is not a notifiable disease, are also recorded.

Mexico City, July 15.—The American Ambassador, Mr. Warren, who was in charge of the British interests in Mexico, says he is returning to Washington to resign, having accomplished his mission for the redemption of American-Mexican diplomatic relations.—Reuter's American Service.

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 ponents of summer time are among
 Essex farmers, many of whom re-
 fuse to advance their clocks, points
 out the *Morning Post*. Other
 countrymen make as firm a stand,
 as a sexton of Buckinghamshire.
 The clock of the parish church of
 his ministrations still keeps Green-
 wich time; it shall not tell a lie, he
 says. The old man's obstinacy,
 based on religious views, is humour-
 ed by his vicar, even though the
 sexton refuses to toll the bell at
 what he considers the wrong time
 for week-day services. On Sun-
 days, when the bellringers report
 for duty, his cynical attitude ex-
 presses his belief that to hold the
 eleven o'clock service at ten is
 against Nature, and a flouting of
 Providence.

Opily Wells.
 Ascension Day is regarded as
 the festival of streams and fountains
 (says a *Daily Chronicle* writer).
 Water has ever been regarded as
 the source of all life and power,
 spiritual and physical. On this
 day beautiful Tinsington, in Derby-
 shire, decks its five historic wells
 with rushes, ferns, flowers, and
 wild weeds. There is a general
 procession, which halts at each
 spring, while the clergy read
 appropriate psalms. The early
 Christian saints are responsible
 for many "holy wells." They
 caused springs to break out
 of the rocks for the baptism
 of converts. St. Patrick was a
 great well-maker. To him and to
 Oswald, king and saint, the
 North owes many holy springs
 in the Lake Country, in the dale
 which bears his name. Patrick
 opened a fountain by Ullswater.
 Oswald has his in Grasmere. From
 the old rock basin in the wood
 beneath Red Bank, the dalefolk
 carried (until the last two genera-
 tions) water to the church font
 when children were to be baptised.
 The curative renown of the holy
 well has never ceased. In Flint-
 shire there is the miracle-work-
 ing fountain of St. Winifred, the
 Lourdes of Wales, with its list of
 modern cures. The basin is fed by
 a spring, yielding 2000 gallons of
 clear water every minute. Sacred
 wells are often the terminals of
 ancient roads, or at least important
 points which they turned.
 Malvern's many wells are dedi-
 cated to saints; Herefordshire is
 full of springs. In Cornwall the wells
 are marked by many ancient
 structures and covers. In some
 churchyards the holy wells are
 balanced by waters of sinister
 renown. On the dark north side
 of the church one may find a
 cursing well, now covered up.
 There were wells of prophecy,
 too—like that in Worcestershire,
 which rises ever higher as the
 corn crops fall and the price of
 bread increases.

The Man in The Moon.
 We all feel wise nowadays about
 the moon, and smile indulgently
 as we relate tales of its lonely old
 male inhabitant to the young.
 Our wisdom, based as it is upon
 all these maps and photographs
 and scientific theories, is, how-
 ever, of very recent origin, points
 out *John o' London's Weekly*. The
 moon for generations was the
 greatest mystery of mankind—
 greater even than the sun.
 When Galileo, in 1609, first
 turned his telescope upon
 the moon, he created throughout
 Europe a much greater sensation
 than did Columbus when he dis-
 covered America. Till then the
 scientific men had believed in
 Aristotle's theory, that the moon
 is a perfectly smooth and round
 body, its markings being the con-
 tinuities of the world, reflected, as
 in a mirror. Everyone else ex-
 plained away the mysterious marks
 with myths. There is nothing
 more remarkable in history than the
 strange resemblances which exist
 between the explanations given by
 different races. Almost all
 of them interpreted the marks
 as being a man carrying a
 bundle of wood. Further-
 more, they all seemed to regard
 him as one who, on account of a
 crime, was condemned to eternal
 isolation on the moon. He was,
 indeed, a horrible, example to
 young and old alike. In
 European countries the story
 generally had a so-called Biblical
 significance. In England, it was
 Moses who found a man gathering
 sticks on the Sabbath, and expelled
 him to the moon. The reference
 seems to be to a passage in the
 fifteenth chapter of Numbers, but
 the resemblance is only slight.

In France, the man in the
 moon is none other than Judas
 Iscariot, and the wood a load
 which he must always carry as a
 punishment. The earliest English
 record appears in the writings of a
 St. Albans monk. It is a slight
 variation of the usual theme:—
 A rustic in the moon.
 Whose burden weighs him down,
 This changeless truth reveals,
 He profits not who steals.
 The German version dealt with
 a peasant who was reprimanded by
 an angel for gathering faggots on
 a Sunday. He replied, "Sunday
 on earth, or Monday in heaven, it
 is all the same to me." For this,
 he was sent to an eternal moon-day
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Tyrian Purple.
 Purple and mauve are, in our
 variable climate, the most unthrifty
 colours which can be worn, as they
 quickly fade, observes a writer in
John o' London's Weekly. It was
 not so with the famous Tyrian
 purple, which, in place of fading
 was deepened by exposure to the
 air. We can picture the Roman
 dandy, as he fared forth in his
 purple toga, knowing that the
 bright sunlight, instead of injuring
 it, would intensify its rich tints.
 He also knew that only the
 wealthy and luxurious could afford
 to wear the Tyrian purple owing to
 the expensive method of producing it.
 Its manufacture was a great
 source of wealth to the merchants
 in the ancient city of Tyre, which
 had a world-wide celebrity for its
 dyeing and weaving establish-
 ments. The colouring matter was
 procured from the shell-fish
Murex trunculus, which was found
 in the Mediterranean and chiefly
 on the coasts of Asia Minor and
 Phoenicia. The quantity in each
 shell was very small, hence great
 quantities were required. The
 murex are noted for their bright
 colours and for their fantastic
 shapes. During excavations at
 Pompeii shells of this species were
 found, having probably been used
 by painters. Fabric to be dyed
 was sometimes moistened with
 sea-water. The natural dye, as
 found in the shell, was then
 brushed over it two or three times,
 after which it was exposed to the
 air and sunshine. At first a faint
 yellow, it turned to green, then
 finally to deep purple, and the
 colour was "fast." During the
 process a disagreeable odour was
 usual, and clung slightly to the
 fabric for some time after.
Piccadilly Posies.
 The flower sellers at Piccadilly
 Circus are finding business better
 now after a very hard winter, in
 which one of them at least, who
 numbers many friends among her
 patrons, was forced to retire owing
 to illness (says the *Morning Post*).
 Gilbert's beautiful fountain forms
 a most picturesque setting for
 their gay baskets and their
 own cockney costume, which,
 though familiar enough to us Lon-
 doners, and by its familiarity no
 longer remarkable, strikes the eye
 of the visitor from overseas with
 its quaintness of straw hat, shawl,
 and apron. Gilbert himself, the
 famous artist who has adorned
 London with one of the most
 beautiful monuments, is still alive,
 working quietly in Ghent. The
 world hears little of him. But
 there are two of his works on
 exhibition at Wembley, lent by
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CORRESPONDENCE.

DELAYED CORONER'S INQUIRIES.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir,—Would you kindly inform me why Coroner's Courts enquire into cases of sudden death, both natural and violent, after a considerable length of time has elapsed after the case or cases concerned.

It was reported in the local Press that an enquiry was held a few days ago concerning the death of an Indian policeman who was murdered near the Kowloon filter beds some time last April, after a period of three months, has elapsed.

I consider that an enquiry such as this, considering the time it was taken to call it, is to say the least, bordering on a farcical proceeding and any hopes which may or might have been entertained regarding the apprehension of the culprit have been entirely lost.

Yours faithfully,

HONGKONG, JULY 16.

WET TRAVEL.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir,—May I through your columns draw the attention of the Star Ferry Co. to the deplorable condition of the awnings on some of their craft.

During the recent heavy rains the only spots on the boat where one had a fair chance to keep tolerably dry were the cabins and, on the 3rd class deck. The main awnings are so full of holes as to be nearly useless, except in dry weather, with the result that during rain showers not only has one to dodge spots of rain that seem to delight in dropping down one's neck, but the seats are useless unless one is armed with a good thick "mack" with which to reinforce one's raincoat and pants.

Yours, etc.,

HONGKONG, JULY 16.

FLOODS IN NORTH.

FOREIGN CONCESSIONS IN DANGER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, July 15.

Almost continuous rain for 13 days is causing dangerous floods in North China.

The Yungting river is threatening to overflow and is likely to flood Nanyuan and districts west of Peking.

Traffic on the Peking-Hankow Railway has been suspended owing to washaways, and also on the Peking-Sunian Railway.

Telegrams from Kalgan state that the whole city south of the river is severely damaged. The railway line is covered with debris to a depth of three feet. The floors of the houses are still standing, though covered with four feet of mud. The loss of life, however, is not great.

The damage is estimated at \$1,000,000.

Dykes in the vicinity of Tientsin appear in danger of being carried away, which would result in the flooding of the British, French, Japanese and former German concessions.

DYKES TO BE CUT.

Tientsin, July 15.

The Chinese authorities have agreed to make preparations in readiness for cutting the Peiyunho dyke.

The British Municipal Council sent out a corps of coolies, who worked all night strengthening the local dykes.

There has been no more rain, and the situation is unchanged.

DAMAGE AT KALGAN.

Washington, July 15.

Damage sustained by foreign property at Kalgan, Chihli, is estimated at a million dollars. The floods have destroyed a large section of the town, but the death-roll is light.

London, July 15.—The Daily Telegraph's New York representative forebodes the renewal of immigration agitation in Japan in consequence of orders issued by the Department of Labour that Japanese Residents in Hawaii will be barred from admission to the continental United States.—Reuter.

Moscow, July 15.—An International Conference, including representatives of the League of Nations from eleven European countries, held here to discuss means to combat malaria, has decided to despatch a Commission to the Ukraine, Volga, Caucasus and Donetz regions to study preventive measures. On the spot.—Reuter.

CAKE SCARE.

BAKERY NOT TO BLAME.

STATEMENT BY M.O.H.

In view of the outbreak in the Colony, a few weeks ago, of cases of gastro-enteritis resembling dysentery, said to have originated from the eating of a special kind of cake containing custard and cream, certain of the cakes have been examined by the Government bacteriologist and chemist and the report of their findings was presented by the M.O.H. to the Sanitary Board yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Pearce said that as far as they had been able to gather from the medical men who attended the patients, and some of the sufferers themselves it appeared that the outbreak was more in the nature of a non-bacterial, than a bacterial poisoning and its rapid onset and quick recovery pointed to something like ptomaine poisoning.

The chemist had advised him, said the M.O.H., that there was present in these cakes no mineral or alkaloid poisoning, thus doing away with the idea that anything poisonous had been mixed with the cakes but the chemist also said that there was present in them particularly those in the preparation of which large quantities of butter had been used, a considerable degree of acidity pointing to a certain form of poisoning which sometimes occurred in milk foods. Such cases were rare and the poison was unstable and rapidly disappeared under the influence of heat. Although the chemist was of the opinion that it was present owing to chemical reactions it was impossible to prove that it was. A visit had been paid to the bakery in which the cakes under suspicion were made and nothing could be found that would account for any harm coming to the cakes. Every article and the actual process were perfectly clean.

Some of the sufferers had not partaken of the custard cakes, but had attributed the cause to the eating of buttered toast. The symptoms were quite wrong, and the public little knew how often it was exploited. It spent a lot of money on spurious disinfectant and often had the idea that anything which had a chemical "smell" was disinfectant. Dr. Koch said that regarding the word "washing" which had been used, the department existed for the benefit of the householders of the Colony and the best expenditure of its money.

"WHITE TIGER."

AT THE QUEEN'S.

Laid in the amazing atmosphere of an international underworld, "White Tiger," is the fancy title of the Universal picture which commences a brief run at the Queen's Theatre to-night, in which Priscilla Dean, is said to excel her triumphs in previous screen features of similar nature.

The heroine Miss Dean impersonates as a girl brought up in such a manner that she cannot distinguish right from wrong and whose creed is that slipping a rope of pearls from a lady's neck or a jewel from a man's tie, is her rightful contribution to society's progress as a useful and active citizen. An unusual part of the plot is the introduction of an automatic chess-player by which the light-fingered fraternity obtain entrance into exclusive circles. These episodes are particularly entertaining.

Also in the cast are Wallace Beery, of "The Four Horsemen," "Robin Hood," and "The Flame of Life"—fame—Raymond Griffith and Matt Moir, all capable personalities in the cinema world and specially picked to co-operate with the vivacious Priscilla. All the scenes harmonise well and interest is sustained till the climax when it is proved that there is no such thing as honour among thieves. Here a very clever piece of light comedy is introduced lifting off the old saying, "When thieves fall out." "White Tiger" will be shown at the Queen's Theatre till Saturday night inclusive.

DISINFECTION.

HEALTH OFFICIALS' STATEMENT.

TENANTS AND PUBLIC FUNDS.

The Medical Officer of Health (Dr. W. W. Pearce) and Mr. N. J. Smith, who presided, replied at a meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday to the question notified by Dr. V. M. Koch as to whether it would be feasible to place the services of the Disinfecting Staff of the Department at the disposal of householders when required.

Both stated that it was advisable to grant the services of the staff only when notification of the need had been given by a medical practitioner, although Dr. Koch said that there were often cases of people leaving the Colony before they had fully contracted the disease and that in such cases the need for disinfecting was not great, although a medical man might not have been notified.

Mr. Smith said that the disinfecting was often done although the disease might not always be notified but if Dr. Koch's question was as to whether the use of the staff should be granted merely at the request of the householder he was afraid the answer was in the negative. Only a week ago a member of the public had applied for the services of the Disinfecting Staff to disinfect his servants' quarters because his servants had symptoms similar to a notifiable disease but they were quite possibly due to unwise eating or drinking.

Dr. Pearce said that no request, supported by the advice of a medical practitioner, was ever refused but he was not prepared to spend the time of officers of the department or to waste supplies merely at the request of any householder who thought he would like his premises fumigated. He was often receiving demands for such fumigation. While he was on the subject, he might say that the common idea that disinfection and fumigation were synonymous terms was quite wrong, and the public little knew how often it was exploited. It spent a lot of money on spurious disinfectant and often had the idea that anything which had a chemical "smell" was disinfectant.

Dr. Koch said that regarding the word "washing" which had been used, the department existed for the benefit of the householders of the Colony and the best expenditure of its money. Regarding the second question of Dr. Koch, as to whether steps were being taken to disinfect Government Schools before the commencement of the term and if not could not it be done, Mr. Smith said that the matter had been discussed a few days ago and it had been decided that nothing more than spring cleaning—the use of water, soap and elbow grease—was needed although a little disinfectant of course would not do any harm. If any notifiable diseases occurred, immediate action was taken and the need for it in such cases was more urgent than in that of a private house but it had been decided that the work required at the beginning of the term could be very well done by the coolies of the schools in question who were not overworked in the holidays.

Dr. Koch said that he thought that the Staff could co-operate with the school coolies as they know how to go about things.

GERMANY.

NEW BANK SCHEME.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, July 16.

The German Bill for the establishment of a new Gold Note Bank has been submitted to the Reparations Commission. The Bank will be exclusively German, but it will be supervised by a General Council of fourteen members comprising seven Germans, and seven appointed by the United States, Britain, Italy, France, Belgium, Switzerland and Holland as creditors of the new Bank. The President of the Reichsbank, Herr Schacht, is the president-designate of the General Council. The Bank will be completely independent of the German government and will issue so-called Reichsmarknotes and coins to the value of five milliards of gold marks, which must be covered to one-third by gold and foreign currencies. The bank's capital will be 600,000,000 gold marks, to be raised by an international loan.

SINGAPORE BASE.

DISCUSSION IN LORDS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, July 15.

In the House of Lords Viscount Chelmsford said it was unreasonable to ask him to mention the exact date when the Government intended to reconsider the question of developing the Singapore base. It would be necessary, in pursuance of the Premier's policy, to approach more than one foreign power.

Replying to Earl Balfour, Viscount Chelmsford explained that in any extension of the policy of the Washington Conference, it might be necessary that the five Powers represented at Washington should be brought into conference again.

Earl Balfour denied that the Washington pact had any bearing whatever on the question of Singapore. Why should other Powers be consulted? The matter was one between ourselves and the Dominions. (Cheers.)

The Lord Chancellor said the question of the boundary line of the Pacific, as agreed to at Washington, had nothing to do with the matter. The Government must consider the effect on the Empire's general foreign policy of the establishment of a base which would be for offence even more than defence. It was essential the base should be made a "gray instrument" for offensive possibilities, from which the most far reaching operations could be conducted. That might be a desirable policy from a certain viewpoint but it could not be reconciled with the new view of foreign policy taken by the Government, which contemplated bringing about a better situation which would make Singapore much less important than it now seemed to be. The Government's policy might fail, but the Government meant to stand or fall upon it.

PIRACY EVIL.

THOSE LONG AWAITED REPORTS.

Writing under the heading "Piracy Reflecting on Shipping and Engineering (Shanghai) remarks:—It is—or appears to be—good news that the Home Government is at long last availing from its lethargy and its decision to appoint a commission to go into the question of piracy in the waters adjacent to Hongkong—that if when the official report from Peking has been received—We seem to have heard for more than a year of reports being called for from Hongkong, but none of them ever appears to reach London or if they do it would seem that they are promptly pigeon-holed and forgotten. Recent parliamentary reports that have reached us indicate that even now the Home Government, while realizing that there is some piracy affecting British vessels in China waters, has no real conception of how bad and its serious matters really are. The commission is a step in the right direction, and if opportunity is taken of the presence at Home of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and the Secretary of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China, both of whom are fully versed in the respective aspects of the case as viewed by the Hongkong Government and by the officers, some good may eventually result. It can only be hoped that the gravity of the whole matter will become apparent to those in authority at Home and that as a result the penalty of any further twist of the Lion's tail will be brought home not only to thirpates but also to the body that professes to maintain law and order in South China; and that the who are concerned directly with a piracy takes place will not only ensure having their views considered, but that they will be enabled to work under conditions much less anomalous and invidious than obtain at present.

ESTELLE'S ADVICE.

VISIT THE WILD.

"Complete confidence between man and wife is the happy solution of the marital undertaking," says Estelle Tor, who has won such praise for her portrayal of the wife in "Love and Forget," the gripping drama of a woman's mistake, which met at the World Theatre to-day. "If there are any reservations either side, any attempt to 'get away with anything' unhappily will be the result." Miss Taylor gave close study to the personal life of her interpretation of her guilt rôle in "Forgive and Forget," which is an unusual treatment of the husband and wife theme. The result is one of the finest characterizations ever seen on the screen. Pauline Garon, Wynneham Slog, Vernon Steele, Philo May, Joseph Swickard, Raymond McKee, and Lionel Belmore complete the cast of this stark attraction.

CAPTAIN ELDRIDGE.

THIRTY-SIX YEARS IN THE CUSTOMS.

Capt. T. J. Eldridge, Coast Inspector to the Chinese Maritime Customs, so well known to all shipping and business people for the exceptionally efficient services he has rendered, will retire on July 15, on reaching the age of 60 years, though we might perhaps say that no one would think so to look at him, says the N. C. Daily News. Capt. Eldridge, who was a son of the late Mr. George Jackson Eldridge, British Consul-General at Beirut, Syria, was educated at the Naval Training College, H.M.S. "Worcester," and on completing his term was commissioned in the Royal Naval Reserve. Subsequently he served with the British India Steam Navigation Co. and in October, 1886, he received a commission in the Royal Indian Marine. Two years later he joined the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs and was appointed to the revenue cruisers, reaching the rank of Commander in 1896. In 1899 he was made Assistant Harbour Master at Shanghai, 1901 Deputy Coast Inspector, and since 1918 he has been head of the office.

Capt. Eldridge's retirement from China means that the shipping interests of the Far East in general are losing the assistance of one of the most experienced and capable mariners who have ever served this country. For it is not an exaggeration to say that, during the years when he was patrolling the coast in the revenue cruisers, he became acquainted with every inlet, cove, harbour and rock throughout the length of the China coast, besides obtaining a wide knowledge of all the navigable rivers, from the Sun-gari to the West River, and it was his constant purpose to use this knowledge and experience for the benefit of others. Hence, his retirement will mean a great loss to many. As frequently is the case where improvements to navigation are concerned, the effects of an expert's work are not always immediately felt or even apparent, particularly to a layman, and it is so with much of Capt. Eldridge's work, but an idea of what he has achieved may be gained by tabulating some of the outstanding works which he initiated:—

- 1.—Arranging suitable positions for light-houses on the coast and in the rivers.
- 2.—Arranging suitable positions for fog signal stations.
- 3.—Organization of the river inspectors' offices on the Yangtze.
- 4.—The buoying of harbours and rivers.
- 5.—Surveys of numerous sections of the coast and rivers.
- 6.—Weather warning stations on the coast.
- 7.—Regulation of navigation in harbours and rivers.
- 8.—Provision of charts and plans to assist navigation.

The above all have been under Capt. Eldridge's supervision as Coast Inspector and continuously have been undergoing improvement and further organization as his vast knowledge showed was necessary. There is no doubt that the efficiency of the numerous branches of the Marine Department of the Customs, of which he has been the technical chief, is principally due to his untiring efforts in keeping things up to date.

Capt. Eldridge gained the first prize for Seamanship on the "Worcester" in 1880 and he received the China Expedition medal in 1900. Since then his good services in so many ways have been recognized, officially by the award of the following Chinese decorations:—Civil Rank of the Fourth Class, 1904; Double Dragon, 3rd Division, 3rd Class, 1908; Order of the Chia Ho, Fifth Class, 1914; Blue Medal, Third Class, 1915; Order of the Chia Ho, Fourth Class, 1917; Order of the Chia Ho, Third Class, 1921; Order of the Wen Hu, Second Class, 1923.

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Thousands upon thousands of tests are made by the metallurgical departments of the leading motor car companies of the world.

Among all the departments that enter into the manufacturing of motor cars, none perhaps plays a more vital part in service given the consumer than the metallurgical department. And yet, it is safe to say, not one motorist in a hundred ever considers that phase of manufacturing when he purchases a car.

He assumes, obviously, that sufficient care and pains have been taken in building the car to warrant his reasonable assurance that it will do all its manufacturer says it will do. What he fails to realize is that the best guarantee of the car's stability is found in the metallurgical division of the company that builds it.

As an example of the metallurgical possibilities of these companies that stand highest in public opinion, the case of the Hupp Motor Car Corporation of Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A., might well be cited for those who would delve into the secrets of successful automobile building.

Here the metallurgical division functions in four general ways, working in the closest possible connection with the engineering, purchasing and manufacturing departments, and, lastly, the car owner. If cars are to be built to serve and endure as they should, exacting supervision of all metals that enter them is indispensable. Such a division, in every one of its relations, is a safeguard against inferior materials and a positive force in maintaining the standards of quality that the manufacturer has set as his own.

When for one reason or another, the metallurgical department orders that none of a certain assignment of parts be allowed to enter into the construction of cars, there is only one way to remove that "stop" sign. That is by a committee of three executives—the president of the corporation, the vice-president in charge of manufacturing and the chief engineer, or men designated by them.

It is worth mentioning that the sales department is not represented on that committee. The reason is obvious—the enthusiasm of that department, in efforts to keep pace with its quota, might tend to prejudice its opinion with reference to the removal of the "stop" sign and the continuance of production.

In the Hupp Motor Car Corporation, the factory committee has never overruled the action of its metallurgical department. Scores of examples of the metallurgical division's importance in connection with manufacturing might be mentioned, but one instance will serve to convey an idea as to what it does. Two or three years ago when production was at its height, when cars were sold before they were built, and orders were coming in faster than production could keep up with them, a shipment of gears was received and tests showed them to be of questionable merit through excessive hardness. Ordinarily, they might easily have passed inspection on almost a 100 per cent. basis, but that hardness left a doubt as to what might happen should some of these gears be subjected to undue strain in the hands of owners.

QUALITY THE SLOGAN. Accordingly, the "stop" order was put on them. It was explained that the company was far

behind on orders—and that the dealers were clamouring for cars. Nothing, however, could be done until after the committee conference, the result of which was that the "stop" order continued in force three days. Not a car was built during that interval, and dealers had to clamour for cars in vain. At the expiration of that time a new lot, which passed the tests, arrived and production went forward with renewed energy.

That is how the process works all the time. Production can't be the keynote with manufacturers who are building for next month, next year, and ten years from now. Quality must overrule it every time.

In the metallurgical laboratories of the Hupp Motor Car Corporation more than 80,000 shipments were fully analysed in 1923. In addition to this four hundred parts that went into each Huppmobile were minutely examined under the microscope to study the structure of the material and see that it had been properly heat treated.

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No expense is spared by the reputable manufacturer to-day to make his product safe and standard. His reputation and the growth of his business depends upon the high quality of his product. Only recently the Hupp Motor Car Corporation spent \$150,000.00 in the erection and installation of a modern heat treating plant so that all the material that went into Huppmobiles should be of uniform high quality.

No sooner are an engineer's drawings completed in the factories that follow this general system of quality than they are submitted to the metallurgists, who have only one thing in mind as they check and criticize the blue prints. That question is: "Has the part been designed to make its strength uniform throughout?" Is it a quote for the work it will be called upon to perform in strenuous use?

Having examined the engineer's design carefully, specified the material and investigated the source of that material, the next step in metallurgical control is the inspection of materials as they are received. Samples are selected at random from each shipment received and sent to the metallurgist.

A good manufacturer can not afford to take anything for granted. While the remainder of the shipment is being held pending the inspection, drillings of the samples are tested, with the analyst having no preconceived idea as to the result. If his report shows that the material is within the specified limits, the inspection department is authorized to pass the shipment into stock. In every case, finished parts are tested before they are put into the car.

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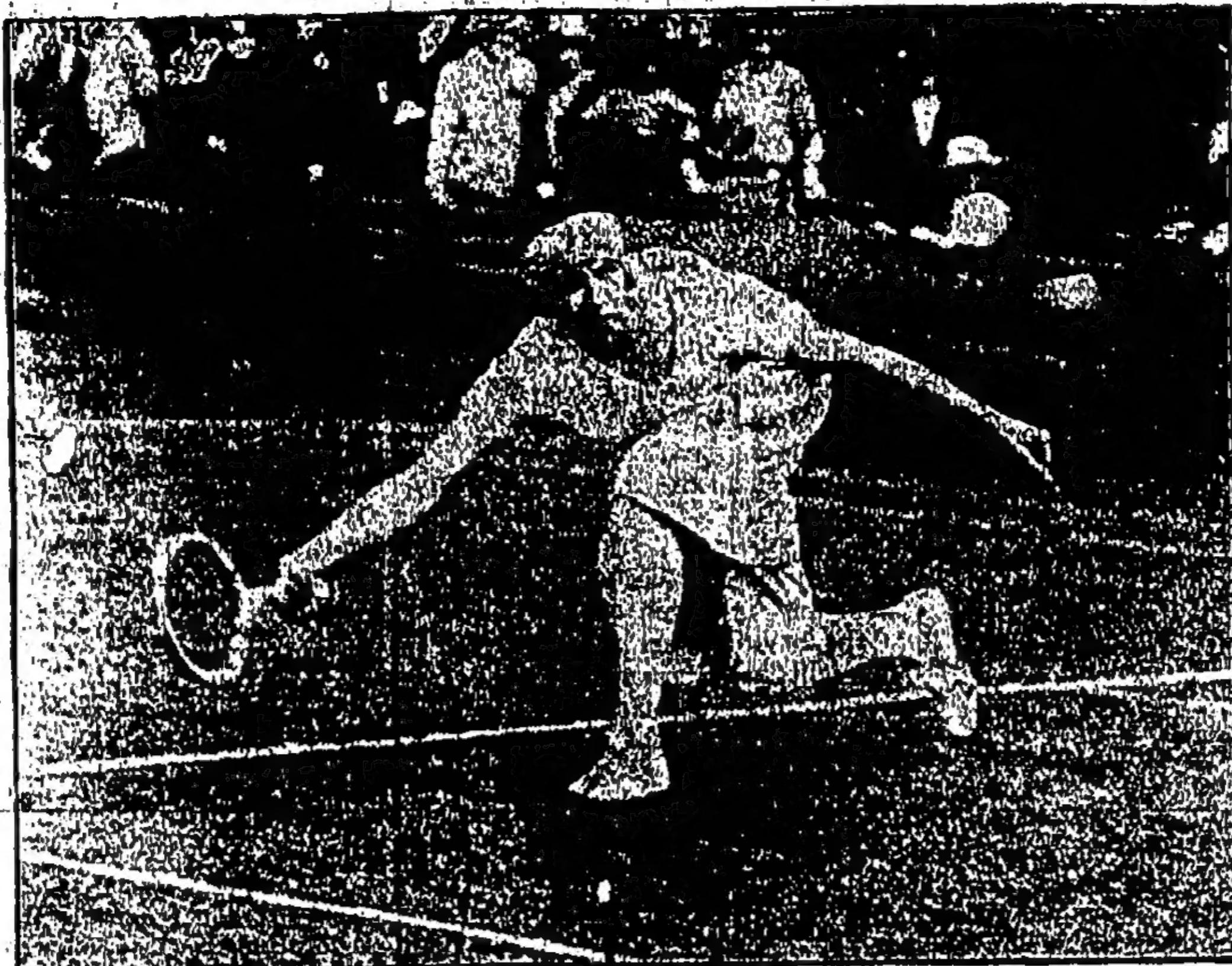


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The semi-finals of the Middlesex Lawn Tennis Championships took place at Chiswick. Our photograph shows Miss McKane taking a low shot during her match with Mrs. Beamish in the Ladies' Singles.

Block by Nam Sun.



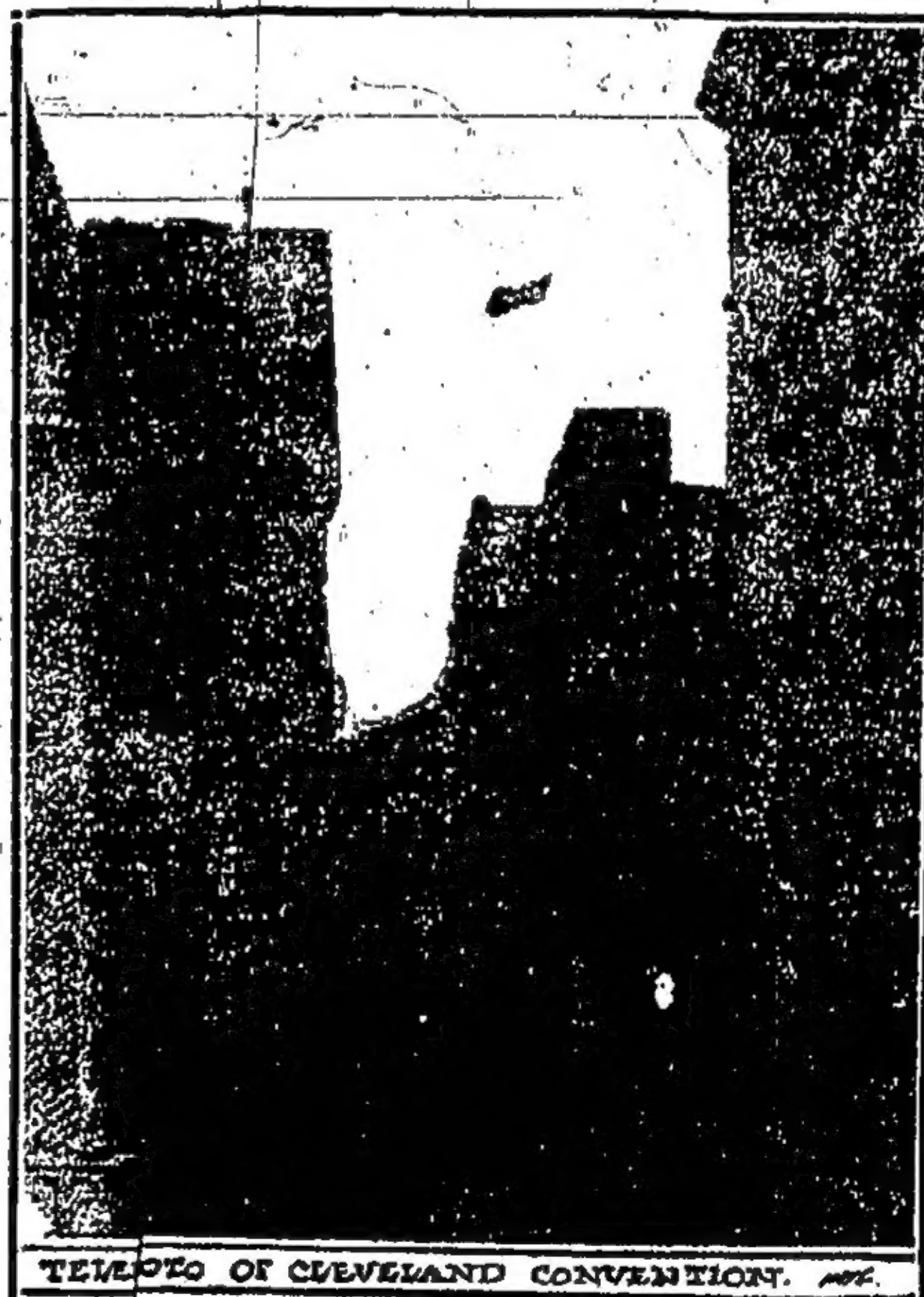
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Ignatz Seipel, Austrian Chancellor, who was recently shot in one lung by a young railroad employee as he stepped from a train in Vienna. The wound is so serious that the slug cannot be removed. When caught, the assailant tried to commit suicide.



M. Gaston Doumergue, President of the French Senate who succeeded M. Millerand as President of the Republic. M. Doumergue belongs to the Democratic left and has had a brilliant career in politics, beginning as a colonial judge, then becoming Deputy, from Nimes. He entered the Combes Cabinet as Minister of Commerce, and held the same portfolio in the Sarrien and Clemenceau Ministries. In the Briand Cabinet of 1909 he was Minister of Instruction. He has been a Senator since 1910, when he was elected from the Department of Gard, and from December 8, 1913, to June 2, 1914, he was Premier.



Above shown a photograph of the rain-drenched street outside the Republican National Committee headquarters at Cleveland, where the Republican Party held its quadrennial meeting. The lecture was transmitted by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company to New York by a process recently perfected. It is the first time in history that political convention pictures have been so broadcast. The picture was completely produced New York one hour after it had left Cleveland.

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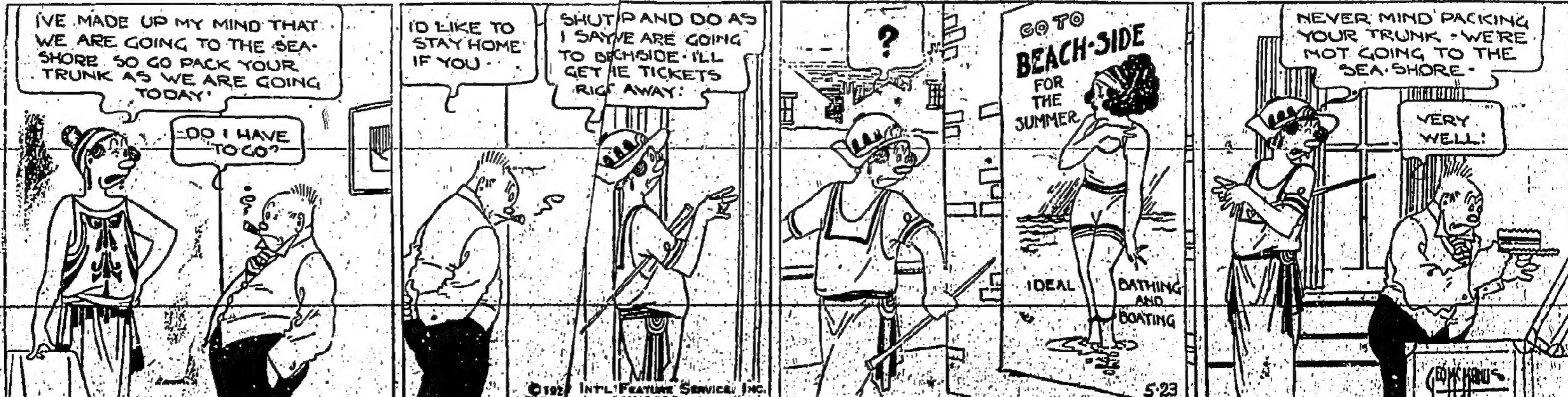
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MEDAL FOR SAVING LIFE.

ORDER OF ST. JOHN.

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The presentation took place in the lounge.

The arrival of His Excellency, who was accompanied by (Capt. Neville, A.D.C., R.M.L.I., was announced by Mr. P. A. Cox, Manager for the Orient of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., who then spoke as follows:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen—The occasion of our assembling here to-day is that we recently received advice from the Chairman of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., forwarding a letter from the Secretary of The Grand Priory of the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, England, which reads as follows: THE GRAND PRIORY OF THE ORDER OF THE HOSPITAL OF ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM IN ENGLAND.

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5th March, 1924.

Dear Sir,—I have much pleasure in informing you that Major-General The Earl of Scarborough, Sub-Priory, (acting on behalf of His Royal Highness The Duke of Connaught, Grand Priory, who is absent abroad) and the Chapter-General of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem in England have approved of the award of the Life Saving Medal of the Order in silver to Captain S. Robinson, R.N.R., in recognition of his services in connection with the Japanese Earthquake and Fire, and subsequent relief operations in Yokohama.

I understand that Captain Robinson is now in command of the a.s. "Empress of Canada," which is now on a world tour. I shall therefore be glad if you will kindly forward the enclosed Medal and letter to him. If possible I shall like it presented to him on some suitable occasion.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) E. A. CAMERON,

Secretary.

Sir Thomas Fisher, K.B.E., R.N., General Manager, Canadian Pacific Steamships Ltd., 8, Waterloo Place, S.W.1.

The Canadian Pacific continued Mr. Cox, whilst appreciating the fact that other British steamers and vessels of other nationalities were present at the great Japanese catastrophe last September, and rendered valuable assistance in saving life, are proud that Capt. Robinson should be honoured by this order, as undoubtedly, with the assistance of his officers and crew, the glorious traditions of the mercantile Marine were upheld.

On behalf of the Canadian Pacific, I desire to express their appreciation and thanks to Your Excellency for the great honour you have done them by coming on board the "Empress of Canada," and presenting personally to Capt. Robinson this medal which I have the honour to place in your hands.

THE PRESENTATION.

His Excellency the Governor mentioned the great pleasure he felt at being asked to present the medal to Capt. Robinson and at the opportunity of adding his own congratulations to those already received on the skill and seamanship shown at Yokohama by Captain Robinson, the officers and crew of the "Empress of Australia," who, as Mr. Cox had remarked, had so nobly upheld the best traditions of the British mercantile marine.

His Excellency then pinned the medal on Capt. Robinson's tunic and the ceremony was at an end.

The tables were arranged as follows:

Table 1: Capt. Robinson, H.E. the Governor, Sir Claud Severn, Hon. Mr. Holyoak, Mr. Owen-Hughes, Mr. G. M. Young, Mr. Justice Gompertz.

Table 2: Mr. P. A. Cox, Commodore Grace, Mr. Beth, Mr. Wade, Mr. Mackie, Hon. Mr. E. V. Bird, Mr. Ferguson.

Table 3: Engineer F.L. Sturdee, Mr. Matteson, Mr. Sheppard, Mr. Benson, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Beatherton, Dr. Taylor.

Table 4: Staff-Captain, Hon. Mr. Walter, Mr. Miller, Mr. Howard, Mr. Baker, Mr. R. M. Dwyer.

VISITING LONDON.



This is how a writer in a Home daily paper writes on June 6 of Mr. Ho Kom-tong of Hongkong:

"Even China is interested in our 'Midnight Follies,' for a picturesque figure at the Epsom gala night was Ho Kom-tong, one of the wealthiest of Chinese bankers. 'Ho Kom-tong is paying his first visit to England, and has come to visit the Exhibition, of which his brother, Sir Robert Ho Tung, is Chinese Commissioner. Ho Kom-tong is an expert on porcelain, in fact, I am assured, that his collection is the most valuable in the world.'"

Mr. Ho Kom-tong is one of the directors of the Tai Yau Bank which presented one or more aeroplanes to the Imperial Government during the War. He takes considerable interest in the Chinese stage and has promoted performances for local charities.

[Note the mistake in the name. "Ho" is the surname and "Kom-tong" the given name, the whole being Ho Kom-tong. "Sir Robert Ho Tung" should, of course, read Sir Robert Ho Tung.—Ed. China Mail.]

TYPHOON SCARE.

LOCAL SIGNAL UP AGAIN.

"STAND-BY" WARNING.

After a comparatively quiet week-end, typhoons are again hovering about dangerously near to Hongkong's vicinity. Still nearly everybody has been on the qui vive since the local signals were last taken down and it was no surprise to see No. 1 local typhoon signal hoisted before eleven this morning. Needless to explain, No. 1 signal conveys the fact a typhoon is moving about within or near the Hongkong danger zone and that a gale may be expected here within 24 hours.

From all appearances, it seems that to-day's warning concerns a typhoon within 60 miles of Lat 21 deg. N., Long. 118 deg. E., direction unknown, intensity unknown.

Perusal of the weather report hints that this typhoon is "another formed between Fratas and Koshung." This means the typhoon is roughly 300 miles away, to the south-east of the Cape.

By 11 p.m., a small percentage of the smaller craft in harbour, began to seek shelter but larger vessels seemed content to await the next development.

Not Coming Here?

Mr. T. F. Claxton, Director of the Royal Observatory, courteously informed the China Mail this afternoon that the latest typhoon was not expected to strike Hongkong unless there was a material change in its direction. The fact that our barometer was not falling indicated that the storm was going elsewhere but further information was lacking.

Reid Mr. Lang (Lloyd's Surveyor), Mr. T. E. Pearce.

Table 9: Staff-Engineer Mayall, Major Rashleigh, R. A., Dr. Grover.

Table 10: Chief-Engineer Lamb, Mr. Greig, Rev. G. Howard, R.N., Mr. Morrison.

Table 11: Purser Milne, Capt. Neville, Pay Lieut.-Commander Worthington, Mr. Brown, Mr. Lewis.

Table 12: Mr. Percy, Mr. Perrin, Mr. Mellon, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Travis.

Table 13: Mr. Monaghan, Mr. Pryce, Mr. Petherly, Mr. Buckenrough.

Table 14: Mr. Short, Mr. Pyburn, Mr. Dally, Mr. Miller, Mr. Howard, Mr. Baker, Mr. R. M. Dwyer.

PROBATE ACTION.

ALLEGATIONS OF UNDUE INFLUENCE.

TALE OF A HOUSE-KEEPER.

Before the acting Chief Justice (Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz), sitting in Probate Jurisdiction, the case in which the three children of the late Mr. Francisco Maria Gutierrez—of Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co. and a broker from 1919 till his death in 1923—are defendants, came on again this morning. They entered a caveat on June 29, 1923, against granting of probate to Rosa de Lima Gutierrez, (plaintiff) formerly housekeeper to deceased, and who claims that she is the sole executrix under a will dated Jan. 20, 1920. Deceased died on April 29, 1923. The children—defendants in the case—allege that their dead father's real intention was that the plaintiff should enjoy his estate during her life, but after her death it should pass on to them. Defendants also allege that the plaintiff exercised undue influence over deceased and that the will was obtained as the result of her domination. It is also alleged that the will was made on a trust, which was accepted by the plaintiff who is now stated to have refused to carry out that trust.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., instructed by Messrs. Deacons, appeared for the plaintiff. Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton, was for defendants.

Continuing his evidence from yesterday afternoon, Mr. G. Maria Gutierrez, brother of the testator, whose will was the subject matter in dispute before the Court, recited in detail what happened at the deceased's house on the night prior to his death.

Witness told deceased that a priest would call in the morning to administer the sacraments and hear his confession. Deceased, replying to a query by witness as to whether his (deceased's) wife from whom he had become estranged in 1907, would be forgiven, said he would forgive her and all who might have had anything against him.

Cross-examined by Mr. Alabaster, witness affirmed that he did not know if his brother left his wife or if his wife deserted him. Neither was he aware of the fact, as alleged by Counsel, that his brother's wife was taken to Manila by a man named Tercio Silva.

Referring to the time when plaintiff is alleged to have forbidden the installation of a telephone, witness admitted that he said to his brother, "How can you tolerate a woman, who is not your wife, doing it?" Witness told deceased that he was ashamed of him and that he was not a man.

Answering a further query by Mr. Alabaster witness said that a child was in the house of deceased and plaintiff, when he visited his brother some time ago, and he (witness) was told by the couple that the child was theirs.

Mr. Alabaster then asked if witness thought it fair that he should suggest to deceased that he should turn plaintiff out of the house when they had been living together for about ten years and had a child of about ten years of age, just because of a difference of opinion over a telephone.

After several attempts through the special interpreter, witness replied that he preferred to reserve his opinion. One of the statements he made was to the effect that no matter how long his brother had been living together with plaintiff as man and wife, they were living in sin. Quite apart from the telephone incident, he hoped to see the couple separated.

In the witness-box, the Rev. Father Bianchi deposed to knowing the testator. On the first occasion the testator was seriously ill, witness administered the last sacraments. Witness questioned deceased if a will had been made and the latter intimated that his property would pass to Miss Rosa Gutierrez (plaintiff) for her benefit during her life, but to pass on to his children after her death.

During his last illness, in 1923, deceased dictated a document to witness and which was signed by them both. At the same time, deceased made out a cheque in favour of Ellis and Co., and this cheque was handed to Fr. Bianchi. Because deceased considerably improved the next day, witness returned the cheque to deceased. A further conversation took place, witness believed on the night of deceased's death, when testator was asked to pardon his wife and his children. Deceased signified that he was quite willing to pardon his wife, but there was no need to pardon his children as he had nothing against them.

Cross-examined by Mr. Alabaster, Fr. Bianchi said that the exact words deceased used at the time of his last serious illness were "I have settled everything."

Mr. R. Gutierrez, another brother of deceased, a pensioner of the Hongkong Government, since 1918, was the next witness. He always visited his brother until some time in 1919 when his brother invited him to stay for the week. Witness accepted on the condition that he would not interfere with the will.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

RESULTS OF MATRICULATION AND SENIOR LOCALS.

JUNE HONOURS AND PASS LIST.

The China Mail has received the results of the recent Matriculation and Senior Local Examinations held at the University of Hongkong during June. The list follows:—

Matriculation Honours List.

Candidate No.	Name.	School.
96—Bojesen, Carl Christian	Public School for Boys, Shanghai. (Dist. in English).	
98—Davey, Donald Lawson	Public School for Boys, Shanghai. (Dist. in English).	
99—Green, Moses	Public School for Boys, Shanghai. (Dist. in English).	
100—Gundry, Francis H. L.	Public School for Boys, Shanghai. (Dist. in Eng. & Mathematics)	

Centre—Hongkong.

MATRICULATION PASS LIST.

1—Chan Wing-on	Queen's College.
7—Lee Shiu-kee	Diocesan Boys' School.
8—Chan Wai-ming	Wah Yan School.
11—Lum Kei-yan	Ying Wah College.
19—Lam King-tong	Tutorial Institute.
21—Ng Tin-fong	do.
24—Wai Pang-min	do.
26—Mak Yik-sang	Educational Institute.
27—Wong Shun-fong	do.
31—Ip Tuen-shing	Private Study.
40—Liang Ting-min	do.
41—Lim Pek-tong	do.
45—Mok York-chen	do.
48—Tien, Joseph	do.
52—Yang Mao-chin	do.
57—Chan Wai-yiu	St. Stephen's College.
58—Lee Teck-jin	do.
60—Lim Chuan-liang	do.
61—Pun Yuk-man	do.
63—Ting Zeh	do. (Dist. in Mechanics)
64—Wong Koon-wah	do.
65—Xien Kho Khong-kha	do. (Dist. in Drawing).
71—Tong Koon-chu	Wah Yan School.
72—Tsun Wei-chean	do.
74—Mak Kwok-cheong	Educational Institute.

Centre—Canton.

MATRICULATION PASS LIST.

85—Fung See-kwan	Sacred Heart College.
86—Hui Wing-yam	do. (Dist. in Chinese).

Centre—Shanghai.

MATRICULATION PASS LIST.

87—Chen Hsing-kwei	St. Francis Xavier's.
89—Chow Shu-ying	do. (Dist. in French).
90—Hau Vung-kwei	do.
91—Khoo Chang-zaing	do.
92—Loh Ching-tai	do.
93—Loh Tsong-liang	do.
94—Tai Tin-chi	do.
96—Bojesen, Carl Christian	Public School for Boys.
97—Cohen, Jack	do.
98—Davey, Donald Lawson	do.
99—Green, Moses	do.
100—Gundry, Francis H. L.	do.
101—Sung Tse-shing	Nieh Chih Kwei School.
102—Sze Tsung-sing	Medhurst College.

Senior Local Examination.

CENTRE—HONGKONG.

3—Kwan Yan-sang	Queen's College.
30—Ho Man-hay	Private Study.
53—Yau Hing-nan	do. (Dist. in Book-keeping).
55—Bach, Annie	Central British School.
56—Chan Pak-luke	St. Stephen's College.
68—Cheong Chee-yook	Wah Yan School.
69—Lee Yeh-thim	do.
78—Tsau Wei-keaw	do.
80—Pun Kwong-luk	Private Study.
84—Chan Hui-cheung	Ying Wah College.

CENTRE—SHANGHAI.

88—Chiao Hong-tuh St. Francis Xavier's School.

The following candidates have now qualified to enter the Faculty of Medicine:—

34—Kho Han-po	Private Study.
89—Li Yousan	do.
103—Scully, G. S.	St. Xavier's College, Penang.

morning boat and returned that night. Witness spoke of an episode in the garden on a Sunday. While plaintiff was at Church, deceased directed the gardener to transplant some palms. On plaintiff's return, she became very excited and demanded to know who had given instructions to transplant the palms. The gardener indicated the deceased saying See Tau (master). At this the plaintiff continued witness flew into a rage and shouted at the gardener, "He, the See Tau! He is the Kwei King (Brother Keeper). I am the See Tau (Lady of the House)."

After more demonstrations, deceased, who was very quiet and very timid said that he was going to bed.

Mr. Potter: The safest place, I think.

Continuing, witness said that plaintiff invited him to a drink. He had a whisky and soda in the sitting-room when plaintiff asked to be excused for five minutes. Witness saw plaintiff remove her slippers and walk up the stairs in her stocking feet. Witness heard a bang.

His Lordship: Had the lady the slippers in her hand? (Witness.) On going upstairs witness found plaintiff standing over a sofa which had knocked down. Witness accepted the chair of the lady.

MURDER.

STEP-DAUGHTER SLAIN.

MOTHER UNDER ARREST.

Following a quarrel between a Chinese woman and her step-daughter last night, a murderous attack was made on the girl by the woman and, although the girl's cries were heard by the neighbours and the police were communicated with, they arrived too late to save the girl who had been stabbed in several parts of her body. She was still alive but died before she could be taken to hospital.

The woman lived at 16 Housing Lane. The step-mother is under arrest and will doubtless be charged with murder.

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Dab, —Sha Mang Yu	65	23	16
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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

NAM PAK HONG MARKETS.

By the s.s. "Tijlajap" there have arrived in the Colony about 45,000 gunny bags of Java sugar.

This morning's Nam Pak Hong quotations, basis usual guild terms, were as follows:—
Java sugar, average quality, per picul net: "Futures" No. 24 rough white—July delivery \$10.83, August delivery \$10.96, September delivery \$10.23. "Spot"—No. 24 rough white \$11.73, No. 24 fine white \$13.60, No. 18 rough brown \$11.33. Java brown \$10.80.

Flour, per sack of 50 lbs.:—
Sperry's XXX \$3.58, White Greens \$2.85, Nutmeg Orange \$2.83, Kingfisher \$2.90, Tiger Shield \$2.90, Maize \$2.70, Big Gun \$2.80, Globe \$2.68, Old Mill \$2.72, Meion \$2.68, White Rose \$2.65, Dayton \$2.79, Molluse Fairy \$2.72, Kwan Tao \$2.76.

Rice, average quality, per picul gross for net:—No. 1 Siam long white \$9.40, No. 1 Saigon long white \$8.36.

SILK IN TRANSIT.

The silk shipment, which left here by the P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar" on June 14, was delivered in Marseilles on July 15. Time in transit 31 days.

MERELY "GOSSIP."

DR. PEARSE AND TYPHOID SCARE.

"I think that most of the scare has originated from Peak Tram gossip," said Dr. W. W. Pearse M.O.H., at the Sanitary Board meeting yesterday afternoon, when Dr. W. V. M. Koch asked whether in several cases of typhoid fever and paratyphoid fever on the Peak any investigations had been undertaken to trace the source of infection.

Dr. Pearse said that there had been a case at Magazine Gap in March and the late Hon. Mr. Lowe's case presumably contracted in May. During the last week or so there had only been three cases of typhoid notified from the Peak—those of a man, his son (the only paratyphoid case) and a woman living a hundred yards away. Dr. Severn was making enquiries as to the source of infection but there was little hope of it being traced unless by a process of elimination. In the meantime, premises in the neighbourhood had been inspected in order to discover anything which might possibly account for contamination of food. They had found some contractors' latrines about half a mile away which were not quite in accordance with the regulations and these were now being put right. Enquiries had also been made regarding the water supply and it had been established that no contamination could have come from that.

In conclusion, the M.O.H. stated that it was being said that there were other people with typhoid whose cases had not been notified but he thought it was all gossip.

DISGRACEFUL CASE.

MAGISTRATE'S CENSURE.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday described as a disgraceful case that in which a partner in a drugist shop in Hollywood Road was charged before him at the Kowloon Magistracy with embezzling several hundreds of dollars from the firm in which he is a managing partner.

Mr. Hamilton said that the case ought never to have come into court. Twice the complainant had brought his solicitor there for nothing owing to the non-appearance of the firm's accountants, one of the prosecution's material witnesses. The defendant would be awarded \$5 costs which was all he could be awarded in that court.

Mr. Haywood, for the prosecution, said that later proceedings would be taken if necessary.

Mr. C. A. S. Rice, for the defendant, said that his client would be the next to take proceedings and not others.

A "BAD EGG."

EUROPEAN SENTENCED.

A European lad, Kenneth Keast, of South Africa, was described as a "bad egg" by Mr. Franks, Superintendent of Prisons, at the Central Magistracy this morning and sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

The boy was charged with unlawfully failing to return to the House of Detention on April 14 and had recently been found in the Colony. Mr. Franks said that he believed that he had been to Shanghai.

Mr. Lindsell asked if it was not possible for the boy to be sent back to his people in South Africa. Mr. Franks said that the Rev. T. B. Powell of St. John's Cathedral had often called for him at the Prison to see if anything could be done but the boy was always missing.

CHINESE BARRED.

JAPANESE ACTION RESENTED.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

Dr. C. C. Wu, Secretary of Foreign Affairs to Dr. Sun Yat-sen, has addressed a note to Mr. E. Amou, Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai, protesting against the exclusion of Chinese by Japanese port authorities at Yokohama, Kobe, and other cities. A representative of the Chinese residents in Japan is now in Canton asking for diplomatic action on their behalf. The Canton Labour movement is also interested in the question, and the Chinese workers and students are prepared to launch another "Boycott" against the Japanese or low grade goods.

MORE JEWELS STOLEN.

Another robbery of jewels and money occurred this morning, the value of the stolen property being estimated at quite a thousand dollars.

Four men held up the inmates of the Cosmopolitan Dock Company's coolies' quarters and made a systematic search of the place afterwards getting clean away.

A man who was found in the neighbourhood, in possession of a dagger, shortly afterwards was arrested.

COURT'S CLOCK.

During the hearing of the Portuguese will case in the Supreme Court this morning, Mr. James Steer, the well-known clock dealer, walked in followed by a Chinese with a ladder. They were there to fix the clock in the main court and their entrance caused His Lordship the acting Chief Justice (Mr. H. J. Gompertz) to question the usher. It is of course impossible that Mr. Justice Gompertz had in mind the stealing of a court clock from the Courts of Justice, a few years ago, when a Chinese coolly walked up and took down the clock without being questioned. He got clean away.

A building contractor was fined \$50 at the Yumatt Court this morning for erecting scaffolding on land extending from numbers 57 to 75 Cooke Street, Hung Hom. Mr. Brooksbanks, overseer, F.W.D. said that it was the place where there had been trouble with the dock people a few months ago. The man was apparently trying to frighten the tenants.

Although only 22 years of age a Chinese, charged at Yumatt Court this morning with stealing clothes from a man in Nathan Road, had 25 previous convictions against him. He was sentenced to 6 months' hard labour.

Goods to the value of \$572 were stolen from a grocer's shop at Sha Tau Kok, on the border of Chinese and British territory, at one o'clock yesterday morning. Ten men affected an entrance by breaking a window and the goods were herded together in the kitchen by one of the men while the others got away with the goods. All were armed with revolvers. One of the grocer's was injured, being struck over the head by the butt of a revolver.

CRICKET.

THIRD TEST MATCH.

VISITORS AGAIN DEFEATED.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 15.

At Leeds, in perfect warm weather, before a small crowd, with the wicket showing signs of wearing, play in the third day of the Third Test Match commenced.

The South African second innings closed at 12.45 p.m. for 323 runs.

England had 17 for 1 wicket, at the lunch interval and the match was finished at 2.40 p.m., England winning by nine wickets.

(At the drawing of stumps on Monday, South Africa had scored 232 for 4 wickets. On Tuesday morning Taylor and Catterall, each 54 not out, continued the innings.)

Yesterday, details of South Africa's first innings were given and the China Mail mentioned that figures and details for Commalle and Deane have been omitted in Reuter's cable, but between the two of them they must have scored 6 runs. One of them fell to Tate. The other (or Taylor) must have been run out.

A subsequent cable says that South Africa had a brief spell of batting before stumps were drawn on Saturday, the first day. When play closed they had 15 for 2 wickets. Deane was caught and bowled by Tate for 2. Commalle was run out for 4. Ward was not out with 5 and Susskind not out 4.

Complete scores for the match are as follows:—

England—1st Innings.

J. B. Hobbs, c Pegler, b Nourse 31
H. Sutcliffe, c Nupen, b Black-
enberg 83
J. W. Hearne, lb.w. Pegler 20
F. Woolley, b Pegler 0
E. Hendren, c Deane, b Nupen 131
E. Tyldesley, run out 15
M. W. Tate, c Taylor, b Carter 29
M. A. E. R. Gilligan (Capt.) c
Catterall, b Pegler 28
R. Tyldesley, c Carter, b Pegler 29
Mr. G. E. C. Wood run out 6
G. G. Macaulay, not out 0
Extras 24

Total 396

Bowling Analysis.

Pegler 4 116
Carter 1 47
Blackenberg 1 58
Nourse 1 67
Nupen 1 85

South Africa—1st Innings.

Deane, c and b Tate 4
Commalle, run out 4
Ward, b Tate 47
Susskind, b Gilligan 4
Nourse, run out 3
Taylor, not out 29
Catterall, c Wood, b Tate 29
Nupen, c Wood, b Tate 0
Pegler, lb.w. Tate 0
Blackenberg, b Tate 0
Carter, c Hendren, b Macaulay 11
Extras 3

Total 132

Bowling Analysis.

A. E. R. Gilligan 27
Tate, M. W. 42
Macaulay, G. G. 23
Tyldesley, R. 37

South Africa—2nd Innings.

Commalle, St. Wood, b R.
Tyldesley 31
Ward, lb.w. Hearne 25
Susskind, lb.w. R. Tyldesley 30
Nourse, c Wood, b R. Tyldesley 30
Taylor, run out 50
Catterall, b Tate 50
Deane, not out 47
Blackenberg, b Tate 6
Nupen, b Macaulay 11
Pegler, run out 14
Carter, b Tate 24
Extras 24

Total 323

Bowling Analysis.

A. E. R. Gilligan 37
Tate, M. W. 64
Macaulay, G. G. 69
Hearne, J. W. 54
Tyldesley, R. 63
Woolley, F. E. 21
England—2nd Innings.
J. B. Hobbs, b Blackenberg 7
H. Sutcliffe, not out 29
J. W. Hearne, not out 23
Extras 1

Total (for 1 wicket) 60

Bowling Analysis.

Pegler 30
Blackenberg 23
Nupen 6

(England thus answers the rubber as she has won the first three of the five Test Matches.)

England—3rd Innings.

At the Oval, Surrey led Lancashire on the first innings. Lancashire made 327 (Makepeace 120) and 304 for 6 declared (Watson 105). Surrey compiled 386 for 8 declared (D. R. Jardine 122, Abel 90 not out) and 80 for no wicket.

COUNTY CRICKET AT HOME.

SOME ABNORMAL BATTING TOTALS.

MIDDLESEX LEAD AGAIN.

YORKSHIRE CHECKED.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 15.

At the Oval, Surrey led Lancashire on the first innings. Lancashire made 327 (Makepeace 120) and 304 for 6 declared (Watson 105). Surrey compiled 386 for 8 declared (D. R. Jardine 122, Abel 90 not out) and 80 for no wicket.

At Eastbourne, Sussex lost to Gloucester by nine wickets. Gloucester totalled 410 for 6 declared (Dipper 196) and 17 for 1 wicket. Sussex scored 201 and 225.

At Leicester, Leicestershire beat Warwickshire by an innings and 56 runs. Leicester knocked out 401 for 9 declared (King 92, Astill 88). Warwick scored 188 and 157.

At Nottingham, Middlesex beat Notts by 27 runs. Notts made 462 (Gunn, J. 108, A. W. Carr 134) and 122 (G. O. Allen 6 for 31). Middlesex replied with 253 and 358 (F. L. Guise 100).

At Maidstone, Kent led Yorkshire on the first innings. Kent scored 230 and 273 (Hardinge 140). Yorkshire made 205 and 196 for 3 (Holmes 105 not out).

At Bath, Somerset led Hampshire on the first innings. Hampshire knocked out 453 (H. L. v. Day 142, R. Aird 131) and 160 for 3. Somerset hit up 675 for 9 wickets declared (Young 198). This total of 675 is the highest in Somerset's history and the highest to date this season.

[The "great aggregate" record for a first-class match is 1059 made by Victoria v. Tasmania, at Melbourne in 1922-3. The highest in England is 887 made at Edgbaston, by Yorkshire against Warwick in 1896.]

CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE.

Including All Matches To Date.

County.	Points obtained.	Possible points.	Average.
Middlesex	49	65	75.38
Yorkshire	45	65	69.23
Surrey	41	65	63.23
Lancashire	37	85	67.06
Somerset	42	70	60.00
Sussex	41	75	54.66
Kent	35	65	53.6
Notts	33	65	49.00
Leicestershire	23	50	46.03
Warwickshire	33	75	44.02
Gloucestershire	24	70	34.29
Glamorganshire	21	70	30.00
Hampshire	11	45	24.44
Northamptonshire	19	80	23.75
Worcestershire	14	65	21.54
Essex	19	65	21.54
Derbyshire	8	70	11.43

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

St. Lieut.-Colonel H. Trevelyan, Royal Engineers, who arrived from the United Kingdom by the "Devanha" has been taken on to the strength of the China Command.

Lady Severn has kindly consented to open the new Assembly Hall at Cheung Chau on Saturday afternoon. The hall has been built by the Residents' Association of the island. A total of \$6,800 has been received for the purpose, in addition to a special gift of \$600 for seating. A further sum of \$300 is required to enable the hall to be opened free of debt.

Mr. Geo. H. McCarthy, Assistant General Passenger Agent of the Admiral Oriental Line, arrived from Saigon yesterday by the s.s. "Prosper." Mr. McCarthy will be stopping in Hongkong for a few days.

The Rev. Father Augustine Placzek, Rector of St. Joseph's Church and Military Chaplain, and the Rev. Father G. Carrabelli left Hongkong for Naples by the Hugo Stinnes liner "Adolph von Bayer." Fr. Augustine, whose health has been far from good for some time, expects to remain in Europe for at least a year. Fr. Carrabelli has gone as the representative of the local Mission at the election of a new Superior of the Foreign Missions Seminary of Milan.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has already begun its preparations for the 1924 Bazaar. Mr. F. H. Barnes has accepted the chairmanship of the Bazaar Committee as Mr. FitzGibbon felt that he could not this year devote to the work the time which its importance and magnitude demanded. It is hoped that the other members of the Committee will render to Mr. Barnes all possible assistance. Hitherto far too much of the preliminary work has fallen on the Chairman of the Committee and on the President of the Society, Chev. J. M. Alves, says "The Rock."

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Mezra Joseph Gould & Co. kindly supply the following share quotations rising on the Shanghai market this morning.

Langkats	18	Bayan	100
Euros	11	Buyan	100
Shanghai	100	Buyan	100
New Engineering	60	Buyan	100
Oriental	33	Buyan	100
Shanghai	30	Buyan	100

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NOTICE.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

THE following are members of the above Association:—

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By Order of the Committee, J. W. Kew, Secretary, Hongkong, 14th May, 1924.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

THE following are members of the above Exchange:—

Abraham, Kara, Logan W., Alvin A. A. P., Matheson R., Begam J. T., Niam R., Benjamin V., Perry J. R., Bicknell H., Potte Geo. H., Clouther N. V. A., Potts P. O., Giff, F. M., Raymond J. E. M., Gould A. A., Silva P. M. N. de, Hough T. F., Bayly E. E., Lammet Geo. P., Foster P., Lammet H. A. V., Kew Fritz, By Order of the Committee, J. W. Kew, Secretary, Hongkong, 14th May, 1924.

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INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that an interim dividend of £3 per share subject to deduction of Income Tax, has been declared for the HALF YEAR ending 30th June, 1924 at rate of 2 1/4 5/8 per dollar.

The dividend will be payable on and after MONDAY the 11th August 1924, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be closed from MONDAY the 28th July to SATURDAY the 9th August 1924 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
A. H. BARLOW,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 8th July, 1924.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

TICKETS will be issued for Round Trips during the months of July to September, from Hongkong to Foochow (Pagoda Anchorage) and return, calling at Swatow and Amoy on both the up and down voyage.

By the Company's new, fast, well appointed steamer "Hui Ning" at the reduced rate of \$30 for the round voyage, including Meals while the steamer is in port.

These Special Tickets will be available for return only by this steamer, either by the voyage for which it is issued or by her following sailing from Foochow.

Duration of stay at Foochow 48 hours.

The Trip occupies 8 to 9 days and the steamer will leave Hongkong for the Company's Wharf at 5 p.m. arriving at daylight on her return (Weather permitting).

The Company's Steam Launch will convey passengers from Pagoda Anchorage to Foochow City, if required.

For further particulars and dates of sailing—

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
General Managers.
DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO. LD.
Hongkong, June 17, 1924.

CHEFOO HARBOUR
COMMISSION.

TENDER FOR GRAB DREDGER.

THE Chefoo Harbour Commission invites tenders for a Grab type self propelled Hopper Dredger.

Approximate dimensions: Hopper capacity 50 tons; Length 80 feet 0 in; Beam 20 feet; draught loaded 6 feet; speed 5 knots; extreme working radius of crane 20 feet; Sand and mud grabs and usual warping winches; windlass, 2 suitable mooring anchors with 45 fathoms of cable on each; crew space; latrine; galley; etc. etc.; 4-1 cwt. warping anchors; necessary fairleads, etc.

Delivery at Chefoo, complete and ready for immediate use before acceptance.

The Commission does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any of the tenders submitted.

Tender and drawings should be sent to the Treasurer, Chefoo Harbour Commission, care of Commissioner of Customs, on or before the 1st day of August, 1924.

MORTGAGE INVESTMENTS.

MONEY up to \$425,000 are available for investment on first class mortgage security subject to a trustee valuation.

Apply to Messrs. DEACONS, 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, 11th July, 1924.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEMBERS are hereby notified that the lists for next season's subscription griffins will close on the 31st July.

Hongkong, 8th July, 1924

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INTIMATIONS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP
CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary general Meeting of The Douglas Steamship Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 20, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 18th day of October, 1924, at Noon, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, approving the draft new Articles of Association of the Company which will be submitted to the Meeting.

A print of such draft new Articles and a print of the existing Articles of the Company may be seen at the Company's said Registered Office, and at the office of Messrs. Deacons, 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, Solicitors for the Company, and the portions of the proposed new Articles which differ from the existing Articles are indicated by being underlined in red.

Should the Meeting approve of such new Articles of Association with or without modification, the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, namely:—

"That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and, for the purpose of identification, subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a Further Extraordinary General Meeting of the said Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 20, Des Voeux Road Central, aforesaid, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th day of November, 1924, at Noon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting, and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

Dated the 14th day of July, 1924.
By Order,
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

THE BANK OF CANTON,
LIMITED.
HONGKONG

REMOVAL NOTICE

THE BANK OF CANTON LTD. beg to announce the removal of their office from No. 6 Queen's Road Central to their new premises at No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central on the 14th July 1924.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1924.

NOTICE.

AS from the 1st July there will be a permanent taxi stand at the junction of Woon-wei-chong and Leighton Hill Road, Happy Valley. Persons requiring taxis in this locality please ring up 1272.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.
THERAPION NO. 1
THERAPION NO. 2
THERAPION NO. 3

No. 1 for Rheumatism, No. 2 for Gout, No. 3 for Gravel, No. 4 for Hay Fever, No. 5 for Hay Fever, No. 6 for Hay Fever, No. 7 for Hay Fever, No. 8 for Hay Fever, No. 9 for Hay Fever, No. 10 for Hay Fever, No. 11 for Hay Fever, No. 12 for Hay Fever, No. 13 for Hay Fever, No. 14 for Hay Fever, No. 15 for Hay Fever, No. 16 for Hay Fever, No. 17 for Hay Fever, No. 18 for Hay Fever, No. 19 for Hay Fever, No. 20 for Hay Fever, No. 21 for Hay Fever, No. 22 for Hay Fever, No. 23 for Hay Fever, No. 24 for Hay Fever, No. 25 for Hay Fever, No. 26 for Hay Fever, No. 27 for Hay Fever, No. 28 for Hay Fever, No. 29 for Hay Fever, No. 30 for Hay Fever, No. 31 for Hay Fever, No. 32 for Hay Fever, No. 33 for Hay Fever, No. 34 for Hay Fever, No. 35 for Hay Fever, No. 36 for Hay Fever, No. 37 for Hay Fever, No. 38 for Hay Fever, No. 39 for Hay Fever, No. 40 for Hay Fever, No. 41 for Hay Fever, No. 42 for Hay Fever, No. 43 for Hay Fever, No. 44 for Hay Fever, No. 45 for Hay Fever, No. 46 for Hay Fever, No. 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BIRTHS.

SAPOJNKOFF—On July 7, 1924, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Sapojnikoff, a son.
JORDAN—On July 9, 1924, at Nanking, to Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Jordan, a daughter.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, July 16, 1924

THAT SHAMEEN STRIKE.

Extremely disturbing is the news from Shameen that the Chinese office and house employees have left the Concession as a protest against the regulations recently adopted by the Shameen Municipal Council. This movement is not unlike Hongkong's famous seamen's strike, amounting as it does to a boycott of the European community. Nor does the resemblance end here for we are told that intimidation has played a large part in the exodus. Intimidation is a potent weapon with the Chinese. There is no use

bewailing this fact, as the seamen's strike proved. Nothing the European can say counts against the blind, unreasoning fear which besieges the Chinese mind. Taunts, threats, promises—all are unavailing. The workers meekly accept the decree that they must leave under threat of violent death and out they walk to a man. Thus the Shameen exodus is by no means a new feature in Chinese strike tactics. None the less it is as yet have suggested above an extremely disturbing event. Presumably when it framed the offending traffic regulations, the Shameen Municipal Council was actuated by motives that had been very carefully weighed. Presumably also the Council, knowing the restless state of feeling among the Chinese, gave due thought to the possible consequences of the new laws. Consequently it is hardly likely that the Council will feel inclined to surrender the more as it has never been approached, we are told, to reconsider the regulations.

Against this resolute front we have the strike leaders equally determined stand not to allow any Chinese to enter Shameen until the regulations have been withdrawn. Obviously this deadlock cannot continue indefinitely without very serious trouble being invited. The actual dispute is awkward enough, and there are added dangers that the strike may take a political turn, Canton being infested with mischief-makers. Already there have been veiled suggestions thrown out—doubtless to hearten the strikers—that the movement will result in the concession being handed back to China. Little anxiety need be felt that any such thing will happen—luckily for the Chinese—but the possible danger lies in the fact that these political hopes may be used to provoke incidents that might otherwise never occur. Accordingly it is to be hoped that the strike will be settled without delay for emphatically the possible consequences are too grave for it to be allowed to drag along interminably.

Church Support.

Even the lay mind can grasp the fact that expenses in connection with the maintenance and work of a cathedral must necessarily be heavy and the appeal which the St. John's Cathedral has issued with a view to the reduction of the very large deficit with which they are faced will no doubt meet with an immediate response. Many not connected with the Cathedral no doubt regard its maintenance as more or less of a responsibility on the whole Colony and will send along a contribution but there are others who are enquiring whether it is right in view of the large number connected with the Cathedral to whom it would cause little hardship to wipe off the entire deficit, that letters should have been sent to prominent business and other men irrespective of whether they hold pews or ever attend. It is certainly a strong argument and many whose memories can carry them back to the times when they were connected with churches at home will compare unfavourably the attitude of people connected with a church who allow it to get into debt with that of many church supporters at home who although often not in the best of circumstances themselves are always eager to do what they can in support of their church and who in spite of the difficulties they are often up against would never think of appealing to outsiders for help.

Ambitious Macao Scheme.

Now that it has been definitely announced that work is shortly to be started on the race-course at Macao, statements are being made public of the plans of the promoters for making the scheme a financial as well as a popular success. If present plans mature the first meeting will be held during next China New Year holidays. The date proposed is well chosen as it will not clash with racing in Hongkong, which will, we understand, be expected to furnish support in the shape of entries and riders. Local owners have already signified their intention of sending their ponies to Macao and the services of some of our gentlemen riders will doubtless be available for meetings during the holidays. The statement, credited to Mr. W. L. Gerrard, that the new company intends to hold meetings every Sunday throughout the year, at first blush appears rather ambitious. However, with the support of between 50 and 60 Chinese-owned stables, there should be no difficulty in providing the horse-flesh as was the case in Manila some years ago when races were held every Sunday. We are inclined to doubt, however, whether sufficient public support will be forthcoming to justify so many meetings. When all is said and done, the new company will, to a great extent, be dependent upon the commission earned on the totalisator; and experience has shown that while the public is prepared to spend generously during an annual meeting, attendances fall off during the extra meetings. The scheme for racing at night during the summer, is a weird one and has little to recommend it from a horseman's point of view. We could advance many arguments against it, but as we wish the new venture every success, let it suffice for us to go on record that the plan if attempted will soon be abandoned.

Miss Lyon's suit in the Court of Session, by which she gains a prefix to her name, a place in Debut, and a prince for a relative-by-marriage, is quite a romance of the old school. Miss Bowes-Lyon, as she must now be called, is the granddaughter of the present Earl of Strathmore and stands, therefore, to the Duchess of York in the relationship of a first cousin once removed. She has two younger brothers. The case revives memories of the celebrated "Douglas Cause," which occupied the Scottish Courts in the eighteenth century, and in which James Boswell was one of the counsel at its final hearing in the House of Lords. The issue there, was the legitimacy of a boy put forward by the sister of the last Duke of Douglas as her to his uncle's estates (not to the title), and alleged to have been born (one of twins) in France in her fifty-first year. The claim was rejected in the Court of Session by the Lord President's casting vote, but that decision was reversed in the House of Lords. The case has often been re-tried in print, and although Boswell (who was for the claimant) protests that "no fact can be more respectably ascertained than by the judgment of the most august tribunal in the world," we are afraid the general opinion is that a fraud was crowned with success.

Criticisms of slipshod "OFFEN," English such as that made by Sir Henry Hadow, when he complained about people saying "offen," led them nowhere, said Mr. Dover Wilson, addressing the English Association at Bedford College, Regent's Park. It did not represent the realities of the situation. He need only quote Queen Elizabeth, who pronounced "offen" "offen" which they knew, because she spelt it "offen."

One hundred and one years is not such a long time after all, but the great advance in the world's knowledge of Palestine and of the ancestral lands from which that country drew its primary culture, that has been made by the Royal Asiatic Society since it was incorporated in 1823, has profoundly altered the opinions held at that time. This point Lord Chalmers, president of the society, emphasized in his address at its one hundred and first anniversary. "To our grandfathers," he said, the new light was as dazzling as to obscure their vision of essentials, in contradistinction to details more or less relevant." No thinking man of woman, however, he urged, would now wish to obliterate the records of new knowledge of the ancient world won in the past century or to prevent the further enriching of the human mind with discoveries still to be made. He added:

For, as Goethe has taught the world, the one fatal thing is to say to the moment "Stay, thou art fair? Fair as our past century has been, we look forward to a still fairer prospect on the threshold of our second century. There is a moral in this sentiment for all to contemplate.

Lines written in THE FALLEN reply to a most HIGHBROW, unfortunate request—there being no dictionary available—for a translation of the following passage from a notice of *Romeo and Juliet* in one of the weekly reviews: "Still he (Romeo) was a great improvement on the epicene who is usually served up for us. This has provoked 'Lucio' in the *Manchester Guardian* to laugh as follows:—
"I'll sing thee songs of Arab, or chat about Herodotus.
Supply the rules of poker or the law of tithes and glebe,
Explain an ohm and other terms with which the learned prod at us,
Contrast the works of Sardou with the plays achieved by Scribe;
I'm very hot on vitamins; I'm ready with a homily
On axolotls' habits, or the Great and Lesser Grebe;
I know my atlas through and through from 'Wrangel Isle to Romilly,
And music never baffles me from Ravel to Delibes,
In fact, I'll talk on anything—the totum of savages.
The incidence of measles, or statistics of lachrymation's horrid pitfalls and its dreadful urban ravages—
But, oh! You've got me guessing with an epicene, ephebe!"

Mr. George LATEST WILLS. Norris Midwood of North Road, Congleton, Cheshire, and of Manchester, calico printer, of Messrs. G. Norris Midwood and Co., president of the National Polo Society, who left £250 to his chauffeur, John Slaughter, £225, 25s.

lands, a former president of the Manchester Law Society £76,324. Mr. William Jack, of St. John's terrace, Hillhead, Glasgow, for 30 years Professor of Mathematics in the Glasgow University £45,782. Mr. Florence Wells, of Lower Rock-gardens, Brighton, who gave £2,500 to the Dean of St. Albans towards the musical services of the cathedral, £2,500 each to the London Orphan Asylum and the Infant Orphan Asylum, Wanstead, £1,000 each to several other charities £38,832.

Mr. Thomas Woolf, of Western-road, Sutton, Surrey, mechanical engineer, formerly president of the English Bowling Association £23,233.

Mr. Percy Peet, of Breakspere-road, Brockley, Kent, late of Messrs. T. Peet and Sons, Lantstreet, Borough, S.E. £9,614.

The Rev. Frank Robert Chapman, of Warren-road, Kingston-on-Thames, formerly Archdeacon of Sudbury and Canon of Ely, left everything to his daughter Helen, who for some time has sacrificed her enjoyment of life to attend on the sufferings of her old father £38,857.

Mr. Harry Edward Bickerton, of Barbourne-terrace, Worcester, who won many trophies as a sprinter in his early days, directed that the following should be inscribed on his tombstone:—
"His race well run,
The goal well won,
Now comes Rest." £5,156

MISUNDERSTOOD. Sweet young thing (coming in with attentive partner from room where a hard bridge match has been in progress)—Oh, Mother, I've just captured the booby!

Mother—Well, well! Come here and kiss me both of you.
Current Comment.
(Dr. Schurman and His Work in China.)

It has been said at times that the United States has no definite policy in China, and there have been international moments when justification for such belief could be found. Without too much looking, says the *Christian Science Monitor*. But the American Minister to that land, Dr. Schurman, is giving reason to suppose that if this has been true, in part or whole, it is to be true no longer. In the past ten weeks this trained administrator and experienced diplomatist has visited every consular district in the Republic to which he is accredited, discussing with all groups of Americans there the matters which affect their interests, and, thus doing, not only has secured information of high value to the State Department at Washington, but also, under the direction of Mr. Hughes, has co-ordinated the parts of the policy of his homeland in the country of his official residence. The details of Dr. Schurman's labours have marked an arc from the protection of life and property, through taxation of American goods and trademark registration, to the relation of the mixed court at Shanghai to the central government (so-called). Quite special attention has been paid to the subject of how China is to spend the money remitted her from the Boxer Indemnity funds. Seven-twelfths of America's share in those dues were remitted in 1908, but by Act of Congress full remission is made of all payments which could have been demanded under the agreements that closed the anti-foreign uprising in the century's opening months. The balance thus due would have been something in excess of \$6,000,000. What was remitted sixteen years ago was to be spent "for educational purposes," and went to Tsing Hua University, not, despite the turmoil of China's past many decades, has there been failure or delay in the turning over of such payments. Speaking of his transaction before the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the other day, Dr. Schurman called attention to the preamble of the bill just passed by the Washington legislators, labelling the return as "an act of friendship." This is precisely the phraseology used in the remittance in Mr. Roosevelt's Presidency, thus clearly indicating that the United States regards her relations with China as entirely friendly, no matter what difficulties and differences of official view have marked the past few years. Then the Ambassador continued: "But it is a friendship which must be reciprocated. Friendship that is one-sided is apt to cease to be friendship. And I cannot hold the petty impediments to American business interests here, and illegal taxation, an altogether friendly. When it is announced that the porters cannot effectively set China's house in order, it is, in effect, and truly, that no outsiders can do for this great Asiatic people what they must do for themselves. Direct

aid would be difficult to render, and would be of doubtful plimite utility. But it needs no adding that the non-Chinese world can be of large assistance to the sorely harassed Republic by such indirect helpfulness as is embodied in this act of the United States, making for a broader and deeper and generally stronger education of those millions who must exercise the guiding influence upon the land to-morrow.

To-day's Poem.

(The Piper.)

Piping down the valleys wild,
Piping songs of pleasant glee,
On a cloud I saw a child,
And he laughing said to me:

"Pipe a song about a Lamb!"
So I piped with merry cheer.
"Pipe, pipe that song again;
So I piped: he wept to hear."

"Drop thy pipe, thy happy pipe;
Sing thy songs of happy cheer;
So I sang the same again,
While he wept with joy to hear."

"Piper, sit thee down and write
In a book that all may read."
So he vanished from my sight,
And I pluck'd a hollow reed.

And I made a rural pen,
And I stain'd the water clear,
And I wrote my happy songs,
Every child may joy to hear.
—William Blake.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

JULY 16.

1764. I am almost crying to find the glorious morsel of summer that we have had turned into just such a watery season as the last. Even my excess of verdure, which used to comfort me for everything, does not satisfy me now. —Walpole.

POINTS OF VIEW.

I believe that marriage is the one thing that sobers women.—Colonel Fremantle, M.P.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald strikes me as a pure Conservative.—The Duke of Sutherland.

Nature herself is constantly striving to get back to the normal average.—Mr. E. J. Liddeter.

The absolute dissolution of Russia is taking place at an appalling rate.—Sir Arthur Shipley.

Our care for economy had produced—dullness—and—greyness throughout our cities.—Lord Leverhulme.

What we want in politics is the spirit of enterprise and adventure, which youth possesses.—Mr. I. Foot, M.P.

A stout, unequivocal, unhesitating defence of gambling is a long-felt want.—The Hon. R. Erskine of Marr.

As Bishops multiply, the clergy diminish. We cannot afford such a plethora of commanders.—Bishop of Durham.

The average parson is sometimes inhuman, not because he likes it, but because he is untrained.—Rev. E. L. Macassay.

Governments based exclusively on the will of the people do not exist, have never existed, and probably will never exist.—Signor Mussolini.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

July 16.—Coronet Theatre: "The Prince and the Pauper."
July 16.—The Star Theatre: "Society Snobs."

July 16.—World Theatre: "Forgive and Forget."
July 16.—Queena's Theatre: "White Tiger."

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

July 19.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Room, Brandy, Whisky, hock, liqueurs, etc., 11.30 a.m.

July 19.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Rooms, office requisites, noon.

July 23.—Lammert Bros., at 180, The Peak, valuable household property, 3 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.
September 16.—Extraordinary general meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder Street, noon.

OTHER MEETINGS.
July 16.—Lecture on "Social Problems and the Ancient Wisdom" at 18, Queen's Road Central, 5.45 p.m.

July 18.—At Home, May Institute, Mrs. H. L. Chitt of Emmanuel Medical Mission, Nanning, West River, gives account of her work, 10.30 a.m.

SHAMEEN FRICTION.

SETTLEMENT SOUGHT BY BOTH PARTIES.

INTELLECTUALS NOT UNFRIENDLY.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

It is understood that the Municipal Council in Shameen are favourably inclined towards the request of a committee of Chinese, most of whom being business men having daily contact with Hong Kong, to revise the traffic and police regulations so as to remove all possible cause for complaint. Several members of the British Municipal Council and their Chinese friends are now informally exchanging views in order to form new rules agreeable to all concerned as far as possible, while providing adequate protection to Shameen and giving the minimum inconvenience to the residents and their friends. The more thinking Chinese in Canton are not behind the recent circular attacking the Americans as well as the British and the French policies in China, the Cantonese actually concerned desiring to treat the issue as local, according to a comrade with a large foreign firm in Shameen. Moreover, the Americans have nothing to do with the British or the French Municipal Council there.

NAVY AND EMPIRE.

FAIR OPENED BY LORD BEATTY.

IN AID OF LEAGUE.

Admiral of the Fleet Lord Beatty recently opened an All Empire Navy League Fair at Australia House in aid of the Navy League and its Sea Cadet Corps.

He welcomed the opportunity to extend a greeting to so many of those who came from the great Dominions overseas, and whose interest meant a great deal to the Navy. He often thought, he said, that in the great Dominions and in the outlying portions of the Empire people were better able to judge of the vital importance of the Navy than those whose homes were in the Mother Country; not that it was possible to extinguish that sea sense which was inherent in every inhabitant of the British Isles. The work of the Navy League primarily consisted in trying to inculcate into the minds of all the importance of the Navy in the defence of the Empire, and as a guarantee for the peace of the world. The Navy League was often a most stern critic of the Admiralty. They welcomed such criticism, for they were sure it was fair, just, and based on national and imperial interests. They knew at the Admiralty that the objects of the Navy League were identical with their own. Its charitable work was world-wide. Ever since its foundation the League had never failed in its activities to assist distressed and suffering among men of the Royal Navy and the mercantile marine and their dependents.

With regard to training ships and the sea cadet corps, the League had endeavoured, and had succeeded, in instilling into the young generation the sea sense upon which the foundations of the Empire were built, and its work in that direction was a great national asset. The overseas branches of the Navy League were an asset of great value, and he wished them all success in instilling into the public mind what our requirements were and what the Navy meant to the Empire.

BIG HAUL.

HOLD UP WITH TOY PISTOL.

AMAH UNDER ARREST.

Robbers who held up the only man in the house with a toy pistol have got away with \$1,326 worth of jewelry and other articles from 346 Des Voeux Road W.

Chau Pei Fong, a married woman, reports that early yesterday morning she was awakened by the screams and kicks of her sister-in-law, who slept in the same bed. She saw two men in the room, one holding her sister-in-law by the throat; the other immediately caught hold of her by the neck and told her not to make a noise. He then stole from her person two gold neck chains and a watch with appendages valued at \$240.

The two men took all the other jewelry they could find and an attaché case and got away. The woman then found that a third robber had been holding up the only man in the place, who was sleeping on the couch in the sitting room, with a pistol and that he had given chase immediately the men had gone.

The robbers were lost sight of in Whitty Street by this male relative. The attaché case was afterwards found in Third Street, inside being several private papers which had been among the stolen things, also the pistol with which the man had been held up. It was found to be a toy one.

The amah of the house is suspected of being in the plot and has been arrested.

